

Chapter W2 – Memphis Gold

November 2009



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Meeting Time – 1st Thursday of each month
Eat at 6:30 PM – Meet at 7:30 PM
Perkins – 1340 S Germantown Rd.
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From the Chapter Director

By: Glenda Keough

Wow, I can't believe that another year is almost gone. Just two more short months left in 2009. This year's weather hasn't been the most conducive to riding, but we have managed to eat well, travel to some interesting places, and have lots of fun in spite of that. Here's hoping that Mother Nature will be a little more cooperative in 2010.

November's dinner ride will be to Tunica, MS for a dinner cruise on board the Tunica Queen river boat. We have the ride planned for Saturday the 14th. I hope everyone will plan on coming. Please let us know your plans at the November meeting if you can so that we will be able to make reservations.

The annual Ops meeting will be held in Murfreesboro on November 21st. This is a business meeting to discuss plans for 2010. Anyone interested in attending is welcome. Details can be found on the district website.

The Christmas party is just around the corner. It will be held this year at the Eads community center on Saturday, December 12th. The chapter is furnishing the meat

and everyone is asked to pitch in and bring a side or desert. I also hear that Santa will be there playing a little dirty again this year. LeeAnn and Phyllis will have more details to share at our November meeting.

January 30, 2010 has been set for next year's Winter Event. It is being held at the Manchester-Coffee County Conference Center in Manchester. The theme is football time in Tennessee and we will be looking for suggestions for a team name, colors, mascot, etc. so put your thinking caps on. I really hope everyone will plan on going. This event is so much fun! Make your plans to join us.

Our November gathering is on the 5th. As always we will eat at 6:30 and have our meeting at 7:30 at the Perkins Restaurant on Germantown Parkway. I'm looking forward to seeing everyone there.

RIDER EDUCATION

By Alan Keough

RIDER ED 'GIMME 5' **Ride Your Own Ride!!!!!!**

How many times have we heard that? Ride your own ride can mean many things. When we are talking about motorcycles. We are talking about riding at your own pace and not trying to keep up with a “speed racer” or leaning around a curve like another more experience rider.

It is important to ride in our comfort zone. We have to let others know if we feel uneasy because of the way the road is, or the speed that our group is traveling at. Speak up and tell your road captains. Let them know that you feel uncomfortable driving this fast or you need to pull over for a rest or bathroom stop. If you are on a ride and need to go the bathroom, tell your road captain. Keeping your mind on your bladder will take your mind off the road and its hazards and that is very dangerous!

As a road captain, we are in charge of leading a ride and should think about all the situations that might come up. There are many of us that have health issues. Those issues may present a problem on a long day ride. Some of us have to eat something every few hours; some of us have circulation problems

and require stopping more often than others.

Some motorcycles need gas sooner than others or some of us cannot take the heat and need to stop more often. Know your group and the special needs that they may require. If you have special needs, let your road captain know before you start your ride.

We are out there for one huge reason and that is to have fun. The ride stops being fun if there is a health problem with one of our riders. Road captains are not mind readers, so let them know about your requirements and limits on a ride. As road captains use some common sense.

If you feel the weather changing, make a short stop to put on more clothing or remove clothing as the weather dictates.

As road captain, after a meal I go about 30 minutes and then make a restroom stop. Some of us have had too much coffee or one Arnold Palmer too many but we do not want to say anything. I just plan a quick stop and everyone is always glad that we did!

Greg & Freeda Kidd—Educators

Christmas Party

Place - Eads Civic Center

Date – December 12, 2009

Time – TBA

Gifts – Each person is to bring a gift. Male brings male gift, female brings female gift.

Food – Chapter will supply the meat. Each person bring a vegetable or desert. There will be a sign up list at the Nov. meeting.

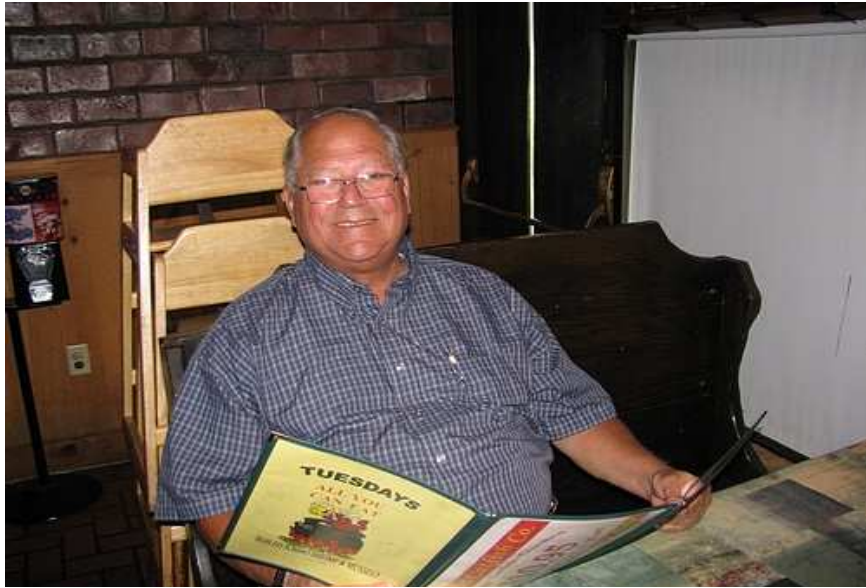


November 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 W2 Meeting	6	7 N Meeting
8	9	10	11	12	13	14 River Cruise
15 D2 Meeting	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24 Gary McPherson & Karen Page B-Day	25	26 Thanksgiving	27 Betty Williams B- Day	28
29	30					

December 2009

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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Recognize this guy??? (Hint: His initials are GM)

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